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Subject: Board Appearance Request, Teck Cominco American Incorporated, Apex Mine,

M/053/004, Washington County, Utah

Dear Mr. Godlewski:

Thank you for your letter requesting a meeting with the Board of Oil Gas & Mining for the purpose of requesting an extension of Rule R647-4-117.4 - Over 10-Year Suspension. Because this Board is a quasi-judicial regulatory group, a formal filing for this request to the Board will be necessary. It must be filed and presented to the Board by an attorney as a Request for Agency Action. A copy of Rule R647-5 Administrative Procedures and Rule R641 are enclosed for your use in filing this request.

I have also enclosed a copy of a similar Request for Agency Action which was filed by another operation last year for an extension of the 10-year suspension rule. This should give you an idea of the form and content of the material necessary to file for this extension.

I apologize for the misunderstanding concerning the procedural steps necessary to make your presentation before our Board. If you have any questions in this regard, please contact me at (801) 538-5382.

Sincerely,

Doug Jensen, Senior Reclamation Engineer Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

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Frictosure: copy portions of R647 & R641 rules, Request for Agency Action cc: Wayne Hedberg, DOGM
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